



# Williamsburg Parks & Recreation Department

## Waller Mill Park

### SOLs In The Park



Take the classroom outside and let the children see and experience your lessons in nature! Our games and activities help children learn by doing as they act out the parts of animals, observe their natural surroundings and draw conclusions about their experiences. Each class is developed with the Virginia Standards of Learning in mind so it isn't a day away from learning, just an opportunity to learn in a whole new way.

**WHO GOES THERE?** Listen for predators, track the scent of the peppermint beetle, and look out for dinner. Check out the many ways animals have adapted their senses to survive. ***This class about animal senses reinforces SOL K.2, K.6***

**HOME SWEET HOME:** What defines a habitat? We will compare and contrast different ecosystems within the park, identify food chains and food webs, and determine what makes an animal suited for its particular habitat.

***This class about habitats reinforces SOL 1:5, 2:5, 3:4, 3:5, 3:6, 4:5***

**STAYIN' ALIVE:** Big ears, sharp teeth, camouflage coats; sure they look cool (or sometimes funny) but what purpose do they serve? Check out these and other ways animals have adapted to find food and avoid predators.

***This class about animal adaptations reinforces SOL 1:5, 3:4***

**EAT OR BE EATEN:** Predators, prey, consumers, producers: what are they and how can you tell who's who? We will look at all of this and how they all come together in the food web.

***This class about predators, prey and the food web reinforces SOL 3:5, 4:5***

<b>Instruction By:</b>	Jennifer Massengill
<b>Target Ages:</b>	Elementary School
<b>Fee:</b>	\$35 per one-hour program
<b>Register:</b>	Call Waller Mill Park at (757) 259-3778

- ☺ Each one-hour program can accommodate approximately 20 students.
- ☺ We prefer a ratio of one adult for every five students.
- ☺ There is no additional charge for adult chaperones.
- ☺ Book 3 or more classes on the same day and we will save you a picnic shelter and provide additional self-guided activities.
- ☺ Please have participants dress appropriately with closed toe shoes, insect repellent and clothes suitable for playing in the woods.

**Jennifer Massengill** has been teaching environmental education for 17 years. After graduating from the College of William & Mary, she served in Mali West Africa as a Natural Resource Management Volunteer. She then continued to teach at education facilities such as Rock Eagle 4-H Center, the Greenville Zoo and the Science Museum of Virginia. Jennifer lives in Williamsburg and has two children.